

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Shigenobu NAKAMURA

Serial No: 10/573,238

Confirmation No.: 7219

Filed: October 12, 2006

For: MULTI-LAYER PIEZOELECTRIC
ELEMENT

Art Unit: 2834

Examiner: Jaydi A. San Martin

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated March 16, 2009, Applicant elects for prosecution, Group III, Claims 37-42, 45, 48, 51, 54, 57, 60 drawn to specific electrode arrangement.

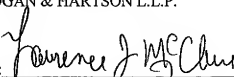
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Respectfully submitted,

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